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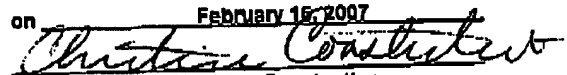
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Christina ConstantinoAMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicants hereby respond to the Office Action issued October 16, 2006 for the above-identified application. A proper request and the fee for a one-month extension of time, allowing response up to and including February 16, 2007, accompanies this response. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections of the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.